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SUBJECT: VISIT OF GHANAIAAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO HUNGARY

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1. A FOUR DAY LACKLUSTER VISIT OF GHANAIAAN FOREIGN MINISTER ROGER JOSEPH FELLI TO HUNGARY ENDED APR 14. FELLI WAS RECEIVED BY HUNGARIAN PRIME MINISTER GYORGY LAZAR AND BY REZSO TRAUTMANN, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL. HE PARTICIPATED IN NEGOTIATIONS AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WITH HUNGARIAN FOREIGN MINISTER FRIGYES PUJA, WHO ALSO GAVE A DINNER IN FELLI'S HONOR. FELLI VISITED SZEKESFEHERVAR, AN IMPORTANT CENTER OF HUNGARY'S ALUMINUM INDUSTRY.

2. AS POINTED OUT IN A JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED UPON COM-
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PLETION OF VISIT, TWO FOREIGN MINISTERS REVIEWED TIMELY INTERNATIONAL ISSUES AND POSSIBILITIES OF EXPANDING BILATERAL RELATIONS. IN COMMUNIQUE, TWO PARTIES STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF DETENTE AND DISARMAMENT. ROLE OF SOCIALIST COUNTRIES AND NONALIGNED IN STRUGGLE FOR PEACE AND AGAINST IMPERIALISM WAS ACKNOWLEDGED.

3. ON AFRICAN ISSUES, COMMUNIQUE CONFIRMED THAT HUNGARY AND GHANA "DO NOT SUPPORT THE EFFORTS AIMED AT AN INTERNAL SETTLEMENT AND THE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF A PUPPET GOVERNMENT IN ZIMBABWE." WITH RESPECT TO NAMIBIA, THEY "EMPHASIZED THAT ONLY REAL INDEPENDENCE CAN BE ACCEPTED IS ONE WHICH IS IN FULL HARMONY WITH THE DEMANDS OF SWAPO." IN CONNECTION WITH HORN CONFLICT, THE TWO PARTIES CONFIRMED THEIR COMMITMENT TO PRINCIPLE OF INVIOABILITY OF TERRITORIAL BORDERS.

4. TWO COUNTRIES ALSO AGREED THAT MEASURES TAKEN SO FAR FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER HAVE BEEN INSUFFICIENT AND THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR OBSERVING THE SOVEREIGN RIGHTS OF STATES TO CONTROL THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES.

5. COMMUNIQUE INCLUDED THE ALMOST RITUAL STATEMENT OF INTENT TO EXPAND POLITICAL, CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC BILATERAL RELATIONS. IT IS DIFFICULT, HOWEVER, TO READ INTO THIS STATEMENT OR OTHER PORTIONS OF THE COMMUNIQUE A HUNGARIAN INTENTION TO BECOME MORE DEEPLY INVOLVED IN NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES OR TO EXTEND BILATERAL FOOD AID TO GHANA.

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6. COMMENT: FELLI RECEIVED ROUTINE TREATMENT FOR A HIGH-LEVEL VISITOR. MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER AND TALKS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER WERE THE HIGH POINTS OF HIS SCHEDULE. TRAUTMANN IS LARGELY PROTOCOL FIGURE WHO DOES NOT DEAL WITH SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS. WILGIS

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